

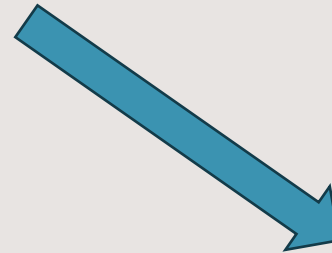
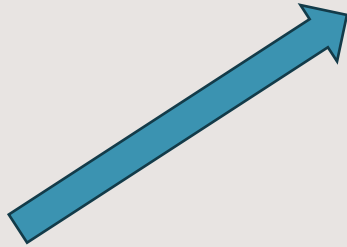


Welcome to
Levi H. Dickey
Elementary
School

2023-2024

Mission Statement and Philosophy

- We are a community of professionals whose core purpose is dedicated to utilizing a variety of techniques and resources to ensure and facilitate all students' learning and success, while enriching and encouraging positive, powerful, purposeful thinking.



Uniform Complaint Procedures

- ♦ The District shall follow the Uniform Complain Procedures (UCP) when addressing complaints alleging: Unlawful discrimination based on ethnicity, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, color or physical or mental disability, or failure to comply with state and/or federal programs, vocational education, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs and special education programs.
- ♦ Forms are available in the school office

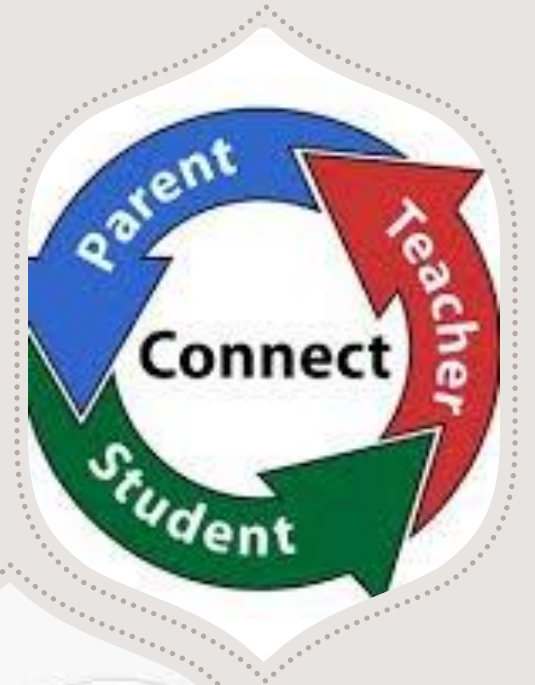


School Spirit

- We wear college shirts on Tuesdays (if your Eagle doesn't have one, you can buy a school college shirt from our PTO or have your child wear a grey shirt on Tuesdays)
- We wear our school spirit shirt on Fridays (If your Eagle doesn't have one, you can buy a school shirt from our PTO or have your child wear a blue shirt on Fridays)
- We promote college and career readiness at all times and work hard to ensure your Eagle soars to greatness!

Ensure to Connect with our PTO

- Joining our PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) is a wonderful way to stay connected with your Eagle's school.
- There is a PTO representative at our lunch tables for you to connect with.
- Membership goes towards school activities like movie night, paint night, recess equipment, etc.
- We will continue to fundraise for a new movie system in our MPR to add to our newish sound system that was fundraised by our PTO, our community.



Eagle Expectations

- I am Responsible
 - I am Respectful
 - I am Safe
 - I am College Ready
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- Help us help your Eagle by ensuring your child comes to school every day and stays in school the whole day. Your Eagle's attendance is important in elementary school. This is where, TOGETHER, we help your Eagle build positive habits towards learning and taking ownership of their own education for their lifetime.



Expectations Cont.

- Ensure to check our website for our student/parent handbook
- Ensure to log into your AERIES Portal regularly to check your child's attendance and state scores
- Ensure to have two-way, open communication with your Eagle's teacher
- Ensure to check your emails regularly for school messages and check our marquee
- For grades 2-6, ensure to check your Eagle's agenda daily. Your signature indicates you spoke to your Eagle about their day and ensured their assignments are done.
- For grades K-1, ensure to check your Eagle's daily calendar.



Supports Available to You and Your Eagle

Your Eagle's teacher is available through email or your child's agenda (grades 2-6) or daily calendar (grades K-1)

Administration is available for support (we are available via phone call, email, or in the front of the school before and after school)

Ms. Rodriguez is our MTSS-B counselor if your Eagle has social-emotional concerns

We offer marriage-family therapy counseling

We offer academic intervention

We offer behavioral intervention

We offer special education support

We offer support for our GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) students

We offer support for our English Learners

HOPE Center is on site for families with hardships (room 115)

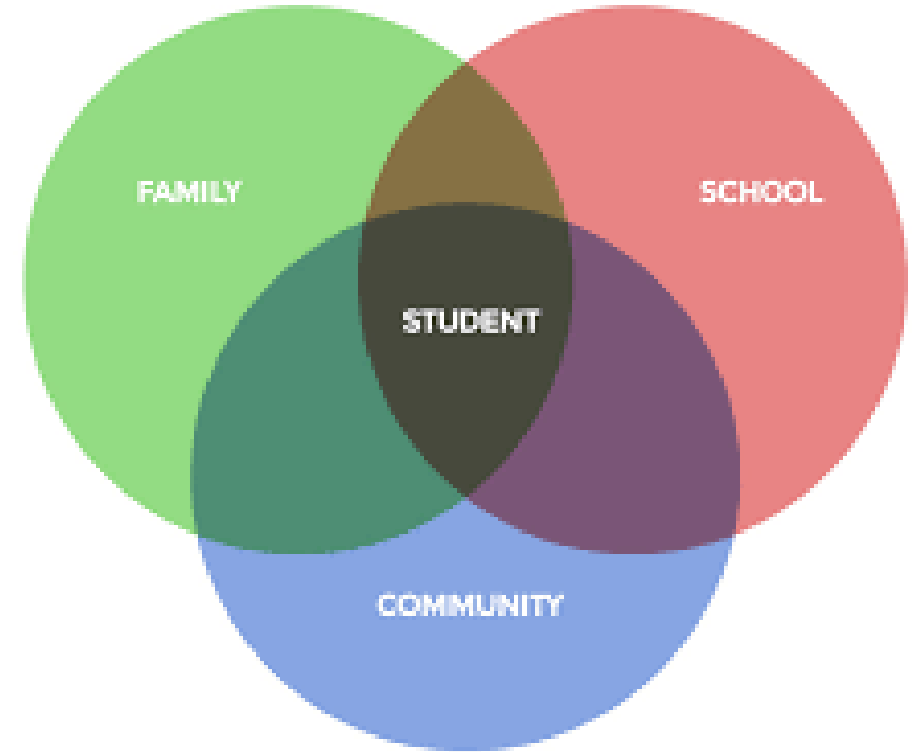
Opportunities for parents/guardians to be part of the decision making process

Various volunteer opportunities and parent workshops

Open Communication is Key to Everyone's Success

- ♦ Ensure that your email is correct in our system during data confirmation
 - ♦ Parent Square is the main way the school communicates with families, including emergencies, weekly happenings, fundraisers, etc.
 - ♦ Your Eagle's Nicki Folder or agenda is your way to communicate your needs to your Eagle's teacher
 - ♦ Email or in person is the best way to communicate with administration
 - ♦ Each teacher has a communication tool they use with their set of parents throughout the year.
- ♦ BEING **CONNECTED** IS **IMPORTANT!** DICKEY IS A REFLECTION OF ITS COMMUNITY, AND WE NEED **EVERYONE** TO **WORK TOGETHER** FOR EVERYONE'S **SUCCESS!!**

Benefits of Effective Teacher-Family Communication



Board Policy 6161.11

- ♦ Teachers will be passing out permission slips starting this week to get your approval on upcoming activities like 2nd Step, use of educational videos, etc. We need your support in ensuring you sign and return the permission slips the next day it is received if you would like your child to participate.
- ♦ One of the first permission slips that you will see is for our 2nd Step curriculum. This is a school-wide curriculum that we use to help our students learn to understand emotions and cope with everyday challenges. A few of the skills that 2nd Step covers is Resiliency, Gratitude, Friendship Skills, Empathy, and Self-Control.



ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT EVEN AT ELEMENTARY

- INCENTIVES
- WHAT ON TIME LOOKS LIKE
- 96.5% IS THE GOAL = NO MORE THAN 5 ABSENCES A YEAR FOR ANY REASON
- LEARNING AT THE ELEMENTARY SETS THE FOUNDATION FOR YOUR EAGLE'S FUTURE
- LEARNING AT THE ELEMENTARY TEACHES YOUR EAGLE WHY SCHOOL IS IMPORTANT AND THE SUCCESSFUL SKILLS NECESSARY TO SOAR IN HIGH SCHOOL AND BEYOND



Long Term implications of ABSENTEEISM

When a student misses...	It results in...	Which means...	In totality (K-12)
1 day per quarter	4 days per year	1 week per year	36% of 1 school year
1 day per month	10 days per year	2 weeks per year	Nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of one year
4 days per quarter	16 days per year	3 weeks per year	Just over 1 year
1 day per week	36 days per year	7 weeks per year	Just over 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years
2 days per week	72 days per year	14 weeks per year	Just over 5 years

Are students prepared for college or career if they have missed:

- $\frac{3}{4}$'s of a year of their education
- 1 year
- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years
- Over 5 years

TARDIES HAVE HUGE IMPLICATIONS

When a student misses...	It results in...	Which means...	In totality (K-12)
30 minutes per month	7.5 minutes per week	1 day per year	13 days
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	1 week per year	36% of school year
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	2 weeks per year	Nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of one year
30 minutes per day	Half a day per week	3 weeks per year	Just over 1 year
1 hour per day	1 day per week	7 weeks per year	Just over 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years

Are students prepared for college or career if they have missed:

- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years of their education
- 1 year
- $\frac{3}{4}$'s of a year
- 36% of a school year

First Day of School

- ♦ August 7th at 7:50 AM (PM Kinder starts at 11:00 AM)
- ♦ Kinder will meet teachers at the kinder gate located near the flagpole
- ♦ Grades 1-3 will enter at the black double gates
- ♦ Grades 4-6 will enter through the side gate near the bike racks
 - Teachers will meet their students just on the other side of the gate
 - For safety purposes, no parents/family will be allowed to walk their child to their teacher





Let's Hear
From Your
Eagle's Teachers



Be On Time!

- Arrive on campus early so you can park and walk your child to our Kindergarten gate.
- AM Kindergarten is from 7:50 – 11:10 AM.
 - Gates open at 7:40 AM.
- PM Kindergarten is from 11:10 – 2:30 PM.
 - Gates open at 11:00 AM.

Preparing for Kindergarten



Eat a good meal
BEFORE school begins!

Breakfast is open for all students in the cafeteria from 7:15 – 7:40 AM



Your child will need a backpack and a healthy snack every day.

Students will receive a **blue homework folder** that needs to be returned daily.



Snack is only 7 minutes long. Make sure your child knows how to open their own snacks.



Students should be learning how to **tie their own shoes** (otherwise, VELCRO is your friend)!



Bathroom: your child should close the door, be able to flush, wash their hands properly, button/zip up their own clothing with no assistance.

Things to Practice Every Day

01

singing the
ABC song
with your
child every
day (and
point to
the letters
or watch a
video while
you sing so
your child
can see
AND hear
the letters)

02

counting
to 30 (or
beyond)

03

holding
your
pencil
properly

04

writing
your
first
and last
name

05

putting
on and
zipping
up
jackets
and
sweaters

Ensure to use your phone to
complete a short survey so we can
have a soaring year TOGETHER!

